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SUBJECT: SS MAR TIERRA -- CARGO LOSS/DAMAGE

1. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ADVISES THAT IT ANTICIPATES LITIGATION IN THE ABOVE-MENTIONED MATTER CONCERNING DAMAGE TO CARE CARGO CAUSED BY THE GROUNDING OF THE SS MAR TIERRA IN THE HARBOR OF RIO HAINA, D.R. ON MAY 22, 1972.

2. PLEASE OBTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC NATIONAL METEOROLOGY SERVICE OR OTHER APPROPRIATE AGENCIES:

(A) RAINFALL AND WIND VELOCITY DATA FOR THE HARBOR OF RIO HAINA DURING THE PERIOD MAY 18 -21, 1972 (BY THE HOUR, IF POSSIBLE);

(B) RAINFALL DATA FOR AREAS WHICH FLOW INTO THE HAINA RIVER DURING THE PERIOD MAY 18-21, 1972;

(C) AVERAGE RAINFALL IN MAY FOR RIO HAINA AREA DURING YEARS 1967 THROUGH MAY 1972;

(D) CONTENT OF ANY WEATHER WARNINGS THAT WERE ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL METEOROLOGY SERVICE OR OTHER AGENCIES, CONCERNING THE OVERFLOW OF RIVER HAINA ON MAY 21, 1972;

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(E) THE TIME SUCH WARNINGS WERE ISSUED;

(F) ANY PREVIOUS HISTORY OF THE OVERFLOWING OF THE HAINA RIVER AT RIO HAINA HARBOR OTHER THAN MAY 21, 1972;

(G) THE CURRENT IN RIO HAINA HARBOR FOR THE DAY OF MAY 21, 1972 (24 HOUR PERIOD).

3. IF ABOVE INFORMATION AVAILABLE, PLEASE OBTAIN ASAP AND, IF POSSIBLE, FOR TRANSLATION. USE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT FISCAL DATA FOR TRANSLATION COSTS: 1550128; 5B 1404. JUSTICE ADVISES MUST HAVE DATA ASAP, BUT AT LEAST PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1975. KISSINGER

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